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TERRI MORGAN, TREASURER  
OHIO REPUBLICAN PARTY STATE CENTRAL  
& EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
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COLUMBUS, OH 43215

**Response Due Date**  
**12/13/2011**

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00162339

REFERENCE: AMENDED FEBRUARY MONTHLY REPORT (01/01/2011 - 01/31/2011),  
RECEIVED 06/09/2011

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. **Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action.** Additional information is needed for the following 4 item(s):

1. Schedule H4 of your report discloses disbursements for the Administrative category which use a ratio that is inconsistent with the ratio disclosed on Schedule H1. The fixed ratio for the allocation of administrative, generic voter drive and exempt activity expenses by State, district and local party committees should be the same for the full two-year election cycle, unless a Special election is scheduled during an odd numbered year. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

Please note that if your non-federal account has overpaid your federal account because of this miscalculation, it will be necessary to immediately transfer these funds back to the non-federal account. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §§106.7(d))

2. Schedule H6 of your report discloses \$22,325.08 in disbursements to "GOTV Headquarters - see memo entry noted Am Ex GOTV" for goods or services that appear to have been provided to your committee in a prior reporting period. However, your report(s) do not disclose a debt(s) owed to this vendor. According to 11 CFR §104.11, any debt or obligation over \$500 must be reported on the next report filed after the debt is incurred. Further,

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outstanding debts and obligations owed by a political committee must be continuously reported until extinguished. Please amend the appropriate report(s) to properly disclose this debt(s) on Schedule D or provide additional clarification regarding this activity. 11 CFR §104.3(d) and 11 CFR §104.11

3. Schedule H6 of your report discloses disbursements which use a ratio that is inconsistent with the ratio disclosed on Schedule H1 for the 2011-2012 election cycle. The fixed ratio for the allocation of Federal Election Activity expenses should be the same for the full two-year election cycle. Please amend your report to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

Please note that if your non-federal or Levin account has overpaid your federal account because of this miscalculation, it will be necessary to immediately transfer these funds back to the non-federal or Levin account. While the Commission may take further legal action concerning any impermissible overpayments by the non-federal or Levin account, your prompt action will be taken into consideration. (11 CFR §300.36(b)(2)(i)(A))

4. Schedule L-B supporting Line 4(c) of the Schedule L Aggregation Page for the LEVIN account discloses a \$17,636.81 transfer(s)-out of Levin funds for GOTV. However a Schedule H5 has not been filed to disclose a \$17,636.81 transfer-in of Levin funds to your federal account for this activity. All transfers of Levin funds received for allocated Federal Election Activity must be itemized on Schedule H5 regardless of the amount transferred. (11 CFR §300.36(b)(2)(ii)) Please amend your report to provide a Schedule H5 and to clarify this apparent discrepancy.

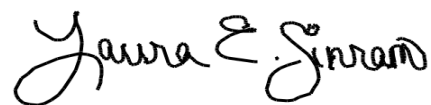
**Please note, you will not receive an additional notice from the Commission on this matter.** Adequate responses must be received by the Commission on or before the due date noted above to be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action. **Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered.**

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirety, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you should have any questions regarding this matter or wish to verify the adequacy of your response, please contact me on our toll-free number (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 5 to reach the Reports Analysis Division) or my local number (202) 694-1157.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Laura E. Sinram". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "L" and a heart-shaped dot over the "i" in "Sinram".

Laura Sinram  
Senior Campaign Finance Analyst  
Reports Analysis Division